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SUBJ: TRADE OPPORTUNITY - LEASING HELICOPTERS

1. H.P. RAO, CHAIRMAN, PUSHPAKA AVIATION PVT. LTD., WTDR
MAY '74, SEEKS ARRANGEMENT WITH FIRMS ABLE TO LEASE
HELICOPTERS TO OIL AND NATURAL GAS COMMISSION (ONGC) FOR
PERSONNEL TRANSPORTATION BETWEEN SHORE AND OFF-SHORE OIL
DRILLING AND PUMPING RIGS. PUSHPAKA HAS GOOD CONNECTIONS
WITH OFFICIALDOM AND RAO BELIEVES HE CAN ARRANGE APPROVALS
NECESSARY FOR LICENSES TO IMPORT AIRCRAFT AND TO REMIT
LEASING FEES; HAS ALREADY CONTACTED ONGC WHICH HAS ASKED
FOR DETAILS OF HELICOPTERS AVAILABLE AND LEASING FEES.

2. TWO OR THREE HELICOPTERS ARE SOUGHT, PREFERABLY
SECOND-HAND, THAT CAN CARRY 12 OR MORE PASSENGERS,
PREFERABLY 15 TO 18 SEATERS. THEY MUST BE EQUIPPED WITH
FLOATS AND NAVIGATION INSTRUMENTS FOR OFF-SHORE OPERATIONS.
BELL JET RANGER 2061A WITH TWIN TURBO-JET ENGINES CITED
AS TYPE DESIRED. LEASE WOULD BE FOR FIVE YEARS WITH OPTION
OF PURCHASE. INITIAL SUPPLY OF SPARES TO BE FURNISHED WITH
DELIVERY OF HELICOPTERS; LESSOR TO ARRANGE DELIVERY OF
ADDITIONAL SPARE PARTS AS NEEDED ON OPENING OF LETTER OF
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3. PUSHPAKA WOULD ARRANGE LEASING AGREEMENT, OBTAIN GOVERNMENT LICENSES AND WOULD PROVIDE CREWS, MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF HELICOPTERS. LEASING FEE TO BE NEGOTIATED WITH PUSHPAKA. PAYMENT WOULD BE GUARANTEED BY ONGC AND, IF DESIRED, PAID BY ONGC DIRECTLY TO LESSOR.

4. RAO PREPARED VISIT USA TO MEET FIRMS WHICH HAVE SUITABLE HELICOPTERS FOR LEASE HIRE.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: ASCERTAIN AVAILABILITY OF SUITABLE HELICOPTERS FOR HIRE AND CABLE US NAMES OF ANY FIRMS INTERESTED WITH DETAILS OF OFFERS IF POSSIBLE.

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